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Dear Dick,

There is an interesting coincidence between Jill's call yesterday and my receipt of a sanitized version of the CIA's file on Frank Olsen. He is the biochemist killed in the early 50s during some CIA LSD experimentation.

I think there are literary and legal values in the file. I won't try to do anything with the literary myself but perhaps there may be another Jill. (I did not get her last name.) The time is not now, but when you get into court on Barney's case you can add this to what I had already for the total destruction of the word by anyone in the CIA on anything.

By another coincidence I have been hearing intermittently from an intelligent man I believe to have been one of the unknown victims of CIA drug toying. He was in touch, anonymously, with Jack Anderson months before he phoned me. Over several long conversations he disclosed a fair number of details. Quite by happenstance from another source one of Anderson's reports obtained some of the same information. Or, my source is confirmed and there is much more than has come out.

What is in the Olson file and to the best of my knowledge totally unreported is that he, too, was CIA. Also unreported, that mixed in with the bacteriological and similar warfare projects done locally here at Fort (then Camp) Detrick were CIA projects of similar nature. This is to say they kill their own, as they did in Greece.

My source may cut off at any time. If he does not there will likely be some news attention. However, with such attention, I believe that combined with this Olson file there is good literary prospect for a non-fiction novel. Better with this source and some of what I've gotten from him but enough without it/him.

They had cute ~~cryptonyms~~ cryptonyms for this kind of toying with minds and lives: Artichoke and Bluebird. From my source these others, going back to about 1952: MK-Delta, MK-Search, MK-Ultra and MK-Naomi.

I'm sending only the last letter to Playboy as you asked yesterday. There are at least three earlier ones in writing some of which refer to earlier verbal notices.

As you'll see I've written to a Hollywood friend to try to locate Barbara Feldon for Jill. The other note is to a friend. I got Jill's permission to ask him because he has told me of his own involvement in other planned CIA assassinations and that of others some known to me by name. You will gather that one was to kill Cheddi Jagan.

I've indicated to Jill an area in which I do not believe Lucien's story and that I do believe either he was led to believe what can't be true or that he had merely made what seemed like a logical assumption. This leads to a general observation, that when people are recruited for these clandestine operations those with tendencies toward paranoia and self-destruction have advantages, the former because they tend to be more security conscious, the latter because they tend to be more daring. However, I have never had any doubt that Lumumba's ousting and killing was fostered if not controlled by the CIA and a suspicion that Hammarskjold's death may have been an assassination in which the ~~R~~ could be the prime one of a number of suspects. I told Jill of a similar case, that of DeLessups (Chep) Morrison. I forgot an earlier one, the loss of a Chinese plane carrying its delegation to the first Bandung conference. In the second there was the loss of a fair percentage of the then second-echelon Chinese leadership. If Jill continues on this project I think a reading of the Olson file will give her a feel for the duplicity, self-deception, evasion and tolerance of all kinds of abuses within CIA. And a sick and dangerous sense of mission in which no consideration other than perceived purpose has any weight or is given any consideration. Insane as it was to use top scientists who could not easily be replaced in this kind of experimentation, they did that without <u>any</u> medical direction, knowledge or even guidance. Best,